

of Cyprus with a single sovereignty and international personality and a single citizenship, with its independence and territorial integrity safeguarded, and comprising two politically equal communities as described in the relevant Security Council resolutions, in a bicomunal and bizonal federation; and

Whereas, the resumption of direct talks in January 2002, in the context of the Good Offices of the Secretary General, to find a just and viable solution to the Cyprus problem is an encouraging development that should be sustained and intensified in order to arrive, by the target date of June 2002, to an agreement; and

Whereas, the members of the Security Council, reiterated, on April 4, 2002, their full support for the negotiating process and for the Secretary General's mission entrusted to him by the Security Council in Security Council Resolution 1250, which was adopted on June 29, 1999, and urged the leaders to work for reaching a comprehensive settlement that takes full consideration of the relevant United Nations Resolutions and Treaties; and

Whereas, a peaceful, just, and lasting solution to the Cyprus problem would greatly benefit the security and the political, economic, and social well-being of all Cypriots, as well as contribute to improved relations between Greece and Turkey, and will serve the interests of the United States in the region; and

Whereas, security, reconciliation, and prosperity for all Cypriots can be best achieved within the context of membership in the European Union which will provide significant rights and obligations for all Cypriots; and

Whereas, the prospect of Cyprus' accession to the European Union has acted as a catalyst for the resumption of the talks aimed at reaching a resolution of the Cyprus problem; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Assembly and Senate of the State of California, jointly, That the Legislature calls upon the President of the United States to increase the administration's efforts to encourage initiatives that will help promote and achieve reunification, reconciliation, stability, and prosperity in Cyprus within the context of the ongoing efforts under the United Nations Secretary General's auspices and on the basis of the relevant United Nations Security Council Resolutions; and be it further

Resolved, That the Assembly and Senate of the State of California, jointly, request the United States government to continue to strongly support the accession of Cyprus to the European Union, without a settlement of the Cyprus problem being a precondition for accession; and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the President and Vice President of the United States, to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and to each Senator and Representative in the Congress of the United States.

POM-393. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of California relative to the extradition of criminals; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 63

Whereas, the Mexican Supreme Court ruled in October 2001 that Mexico will not extradite criminals who face life sentences in the United States; and

Whereas, the United States Constitution prohibits states from entering into treaties with foreign governments to protect their citizens and arrange extradition for criminals; and

Whereas, the person or persons responsible for the April 29, 2002, murder of Los Angeles County Sheriff Deputy David March is believed to have fled to Mexico to avoid prosecution; and

Whereas, California and other states must rely upon the federal government to resolve this issue of national importance; and

Whereas, the Attorney General from each of the 50 states has asked United States Attorney General John Ashcroft and United States Secretary of State Colin Powell to address this extradition issue with their counterparts in Mexico; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Assembly and Senate of the State of California, jointly, That the extradition from Mexico of all criminals who face life sentences is a matter of urgent and enduring importance to the State of California; and be it further

Resolved, That California's Senators and Members of the House of Representatives should take all prudent and necessary steps to ensure that this matter is addressed at the highest levels of our federal government; and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the President of the United States, the United States Attorney General, the United States Secretary of State, and to each member of the Congress of the United States.

POM-394. A resolution adopted by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Pennsylvania relative to the Snowe Amendment to the PRIDE Act; to the Committee on Finance.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 560

Whereas, the House of Representatives of the United States Congress has passed H.R. 4, which would set requirements for state welfare programs and establish funding levels for the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) and child-care block grants for the five-year reauthorization period; and

Whereas, the Child Care Development Block Grant (CCDBG) currently provides \$4.8 billion annually to states for child-care services, \$2.7 billion in mandatory funding annually for the period of reauthorization and \$2.1 billion in discretionary funding, subject to annual renewal by the Congress; and

Whereas, although H.R. 4 would increase mandatory child-care funding by \$1 billion over five years, this is an amount widely regarded as insufficient to meet the increased demand for child-care for families leaving welfare or the demand for child-care subsidy for income-eligible families; and

Whereas, Senator Olympia Snowe of Maine is prepared to offer an amendment to H.R. 4 that would increase mandatory spending to \$7 billion for the five-year reauthorization period; and

Whereas, since Federal funds make up 74% of Pennsylvania's child-care spending, an increase in mandatory funds through the CCDBG would provide the Commonwealth a stable source of funds to expand subsidy for families, build program quality and school readiness and improve services to parents; therefore be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania memorialize the Senate of the United States Congress to adopt the Snowe Amendment to H.R. 4, the Personal Responsibility and Individual Development for Everyone (PRIDE) Act; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the presiding officers of the Senate of the United States Congress and to the two Senators from Pennsylvania.

POM-395. A resolution adopted by the Commission of Wayne County of the State of

Michigan relative to federal transit funding formulas; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

POM-396. A resolution adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma of the State of California relative to gaming facilities in the County; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. GRASSLEY, from the Committee on Finance:

S. 1637. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to comply with the World Trade Organization rulings on the FSC/ETI benefit in a manner that preserves jobs and production activities in the United States, to reform and simplify the international taxation rules of the United States, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. McCain, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

*Kirk Van Tine, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of Transportation.

*Theodore William Kassinger, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary of Commerce.

*Thomas Hill Moore, of Florida, to be a Commissioner of the Consumer Product Safety Commission for a term of seven years from October 27, 2003.

*A. Paul Anderson, of Florida, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner for the term expiring June 30, 2007.

*Joseph E. Brennan, of Maine, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner for the term expiring June 30, 2008.

*Deborah Hersman, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board for a term expiring December 31, 2008.

*Louis S. Thompson, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Reform Board (Amtrak) for a term of five years.

*Jack Edwin McGregor, of Connecticut, to be a Member of the Advisory Board of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation.

*Coast Guard nomination of Vice Adm. Terry M. Cross.

*Coast Guard nomination of Rear Adm. Vivien S. Crea.

*Coast Guard nomination of Rear Adm. Harvey E. Johnson.

*Coast Guard nomination of Radm (L) James C. Van Sice.

Mr. McCain. Mr. President, for the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation I report favorably the following nomination lists which were printed in the RECORDS on the dates indicated, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar that these nominations lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Coast Guard nomination of Glenn M. Sulmasy.

Coast Guard nominations beginning George W. Molessa and ending Yamasheka Z. Young, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on March 12, 2004.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. EDWARDS:

S. 2303. A bill to help American families save, invest, and build a better future, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HAGEL:

S. 2304. A bill to amend the Reclamation Project Authorization Act of 1972 to clarify the acreage for which the North Loup division is authorized to provide irrigation water under the Missouri River Basin project; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. HAGEL (for himself and Mr. LIEBERMAN):

S. 2305. A bill to authorize programs that support economic and political development in the Greater Middle East and Central Asia and support for three new multilateral institutions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. MCCAIN (for himself and Mr. SUNUNU):

S. 2306. A bill to reauthorize, restructure, and reform the intercity passenger rail service program; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. GRASSLEY:

S. 2307. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to the importation of prescription drugs by importers, and by individuals for personal use, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CORZINE (for himself, Mr. REED, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, and Ms. CANTWELL):

S. 2308. A bill to provide for prompt payment and interest on late payments of health care claims; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. DORGAN:

S. 2309. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for a refundable wage differential credit for activated military reservists; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. NELSON of Florida, and Mr. REED):

S. 2310. A bill to promote the national security of the United States by facilitating the removal of potential nuclear weapons materials from vulnerable sites around the world, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. BINGAMAN, and Ms. CANTWELL):

S. 2311. A bill to provide for various energy efficiency programs and tax incentives, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. CLINTON (for herself and Mr. DAYTON):

S. 2312. A bill to regulate the transmission of personally identifiable information to foreign affiliates and subcontractors; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. GRAHAM of Florida (for himself, Mrs. CLINTON, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. HOLLINGS, and Mrs. LINCOLN):

S. 2313. A bill to amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to require a voter-verified permanent record or hardcopy under title III of such Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. DURBIN:

S. 2314. A bill for the relief of Nabil Raja Dandan, Ketty Dandan, Souzi Dandan, Raja Nabil Dandan, and Sandra Dandan; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BURNS:

S. 2315. A bill to amend the Communications Satellite Act of 1962 to extend the deadline for the INTELSAT initial public offering; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 2316. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow penalty-free withdrawals from individual retirement plans for adoption expenses; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. THOMAS:

S. 2317. A bill to limit the royalty on soda ash; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mr. BAYH, Mr. ROBERTS, and Mr. REED):

S. 2318. A bill to expand upon the Department of Defense Energy Efficiency Program required by section 317 of the National Defense Authorization Act of 2002 by authorizing the Secretary of Defense to enter into energy savings performance contracts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. FITZGERALD (for himself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. Res. 334. A resolution designating May 2004 as National Electrical Safety Month; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. FITZGERALD, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. ALLEN, and Mr. DORGAN):

S. Res. 335. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that Major League Baseball clubs and their players should take immediate action to adopt a drug-testing policy that effectively deters Major League Baseball players from using anabolic steroids and any other performance-enhancing substances that create a competitive advantage for, and pose a serious health risk to, such players and the children and teenagers who emulate them; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. FITZGERALD, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. COLEMAN, and Mr. LEVIN):

S. Res. 336. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that public servants should be commended for their dedication and continued service to the Nation during Public Service Recognition Week, May 3 through 9, 2004; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. GRAHAM of Florida, Mr. MILLER, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. GRAHAM of South Carolina, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. BOND, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. BUNNING, and Mr. STEVENS):

S. Res. 337. A resolution expressing the appreciation of the Senate for the Paralyzed Veterans of America; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. BAYH, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. COLEMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. DODD, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. KERRY, Ms. LANDRIEU, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. CRAIG, and Mr. JOHNSON):

S. Res. 338. A resolution calling on the President to designate April 16, 2004, as National Youth Service Day, and for other purposes; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. DODD (for himself, Mr. CORZINE, and Mrs. BOXER):

S. Res. 339. A resolution urging the President to immediately instruct the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense to respectively begin initiating consultations with other members of the United Nations Security Council concerning a United Nations Security Council Resolution for Iraq, and with the Secretary General of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) concerning a mandate for a NATO commitment for security in Iraq, with the goal of securing both not later than May 15, 2004; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. BROWNBACK (for himself and Mr. FEINGOLD):

S. Con. Res. 99. A concurrent resolution condemning the Government of the Republic of the Sudan for its participation and complicity in the attacks against innocent civilians in the impoverished Darfur region of western Sudan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 623

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 623, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow Federal civilian and military retirees to pay health insurance premiums on a pretax basis and to allow a deduction for TRICARE supplemental premiums.

S. 863

At the request of Mr. EDWARDS, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLISS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 863, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to allow soldiers to serve their country without being disadvantaged financially by Federal student aid programs.

S. 976

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. CORZINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 976, a bill to provide for the issuance of a coin to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the Jamestown settlement.

S. 1010

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1010, a bill to enhance and further research into paralysis and to improve rehabilitation and the quality of life for persons living with paralysis and other physical disabilities.